4939. Adulteration of frozen shrimp. U. S. v. 2 Boxes of Frozen Shrimp. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 9485. Sample No. 37204-F.)

On March 4, 1943, the United States attorney for the District of Maryland filed a libel against 2 boxes, each containing 22 5-pound bags, of frozen shrimp at Baltimore, Md., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about January 10, 1943, by the Penn Ice Mfg. & Coal Co. from North Wildwood, N. J.; and charging that it was adulterated in that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance.

On April 7, 1943, no claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

5000. Adulteration of raw headless shrimp. U. S. v. 2 Barrels and 360 Boxes of Raw Headless Shrimp. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 9519. Sample No. 29070-F.)

On March 9, 1943, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Georgia filed a libel against 2 barrels, containing a total of 2,000 pounds, and 360 unlabeled boxes, each containing 5 pounds, of raw headless shrimp at Atlanta, Ga., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about March 1, 1943, by the Graham Seafood Co. of Coden, Ala., from Irvington, Ala.; and charging that it was adulterated in that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance.

On April 12, 1943, no claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

5001. Adulteration of canned sardines. U. S. v. 133 Cases of Canned Sardines (and 2 additional seizure actions against sardines). Decrees of condemnation. Two lots ordered released under bond for segregation of the fit from the unfit portion and destruction of the latter. Remaining lot ordered destroyed. (F. D. C. Nes. 7141, 7142, 7379. Sample Nos. 89076-E, 89085-E, 89400-E, 90726-E.)

Between April 2 and 23, 1943, the United States attorneys for the District of Massachusetts and the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York filed libels against 133 cases of sardines at East Cambridge, Mass., 998 cases of sardines at Brooklyn, N. Y., and 498 cases of sardines at New York, N. Y., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce within the period from on or about December 13, 1941, to January 29, 1942, by the California Packing Corporation from Monterey, Calif.; and charging that it was adulterated in that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance. The article was labeled in part: "Del Monte California Sardines."

On July 19, 1943, the claimant having failed to answer the allegations of the libel filed at East Cambridge, Mass., judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

On or about August 9, 1943, the California Packing Corporation, having admitted to the allegations of the remaining libels, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered released under bond, conditioned that it be segregated according to codes and re-examined, and that those codes found to be fit for human consumption be released and the remainder destroyed or disposed of in a manner approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

5002. Adulteration of canned crab meat. U. S. v. 49 Cases of Canned Crab Meat (and 3 additional seizure actions against canned crab meat). Default decrees of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. Nos. 9319, 9320, 9556, 9600. Sample Nos. 9576-F, 9844-F, 9900-F, 23186-F.)

This product was decomposed. One lot was undergoing progressive spoilage. On February 5 and March 15 and 23, 1943, the United States attorneys for the Middle and Eastern Districts of Pennsylvania, the Western District of Texas, and the Northern District of Illinois filed libels against 49 cases of canned crab meat at Sunbury, Pa., 47 cases at York, Pa., 16 cases at Lancaster, Pa., and 39 cases at San Antonio, Tex., which had been consigned by the Cutcher Canning Co., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce within the period from on or about January 15 to 28, 1943, from New Orleans, La.; and charging that it was adulterated in that it consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance. The article was labeled in part: (Cans) "Nearby * * * [or "Nearby Clam Meat"] American Crab Meat."

On August 18 and 19 and September 23, 1943, no claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered destroyed.